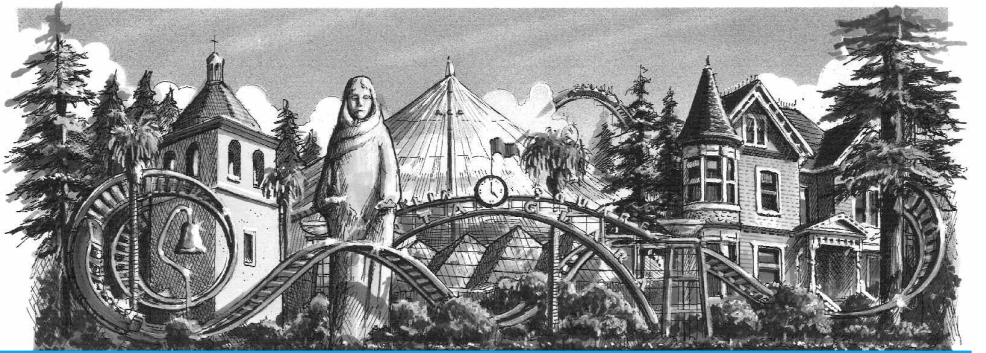




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No bright light at the end of the City's budget process for upcoming fiscal year

As City leaders and City staff prepare for the public discussion of the budget for fiscal year 2010-11, concerns about the lingering economic challenges facing the nation, the state and the region are putting narrow boundaries on the opportunities for Santa Clara to expand or improve services to the community, as well as posing challenges to maintaining service levels.

This fiscal year, economically sensitive revenues have once again declined with sales tax collections coming in significantly below budget. It is anticipated that the City will have even less revenue in 2010-11 than in 2009-10 or the prior fiscal year, when gaps in the General Fund budget were plugged by the use of reserves. For example, property tax collections are expected to decline due to reductions in assessed valuation. At newspaper press time, economists are saying that the recession has technically ended but there is no indication that consumer and business spending will take off in the coming months.

With less revenue comes the need to reduce expenses, and the City continues to look for ways to trim operating costs. A hiring freeze put into place in 2003 is likely to continue and expand, keeping vacant close to 60 staff positions and saving the City almost \$7 million annually. Department budgets for materials and supplies, training, conferences and travel may also be frozen at the reduced levels contained in the 2009-10 budget.

Even with the extraordinary efforts being made to cut back on expenses, the City will have new increased costs for 2010-11 that cannot be avoided such as previously approved agreements with employee bargaining groups – as Santa Clara is a service organization, salary and benefit costs represent about 77% of the City's General Fund expenditures – and higher costs for utility services at City facilities.

Reserves will be harder to count on to solve budget woes this year since the General Fund Emergency Reserve Fund has been drawn down from its

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Community Open House on Draft General Plan

Beginning March 5, 2010, the Draft 2010-2035 General Plan will be available for public review. It can be found on the City's website at www.santaclaraca.gov, the General Plan website at www.santaclaragp.com, as well as in hard copy for review at the Central Park Library, Mission Library Family Reading Center, Senior Center, Permit Center and the City Clerk's office at City Hall. The City will be hosting a Community Open House on April 17, 2010 at 10 a.m. at the Senior Center to present the Draft 2010-2035 General Plan. All interested persons are encouraged to attend. Please contact Julie Moloney at 615-2450 if you have questions or need special accommodations.

Thank you to the hundreds of Santa Clarans who have participated in the General Plan Update process thus far, providing input on the future development of Santa Clara, and prioritizing such topics as improving El Camino Real, providing more walking destinations, encouraging park amenities, promoting alternative transportation, preserving existing neighborhoods, revitalizing Downtown, promoting historic preservation, and encouraging sustainability.

It's Showtime 2010!

March 5 - 7

The Santa Clara Women's League once again sponsors "Showtime," the 28th annual production to raise funds for the Senior Center Health and Wellness Program. This year's show will feature a thrilling, old-time melodrama entitled, "Capture of the Mississippi Belle, or Pralines, Pistols and Pirates!" Come and enjoy the outstanding entertainment, filled with fun and opportunities to cheer heroes, boo and hiss villains and have an all-around good time!

Performances start at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and at 12 noon on Sunday, at the Community Recreation Center, 969 Kiely Boulevard. Tickets can be purchased from the Santa Clara Senior Center, 1303 Fremont Street. For more information, go to SantaClaraShowtime.net or call 615-3170.

Watch for Census forms in the mail in March



Has America changed in the past 10 years? Most everyone might agree the answer is yes, but probably have differing opinions about how.

The 2010 Census, which will ask every person living in the U.S. to provide basic information about themselves and their families, will provide the nation with a clear and accurate picture of who we are and how we live. It will also provide the statistical data used to determine Congressional representation for each region in the country, and it will be a key component in decisions about how more than \$4 trillion — that's \$4,000,000,000,000! — in federal funds are allocated to local, state and tribal governments in the next decade.

For these reasons, it is critically important that every person in the City of Santa Clara take a few minutes to answer the Census questionnaire on April 1. It will be sent by mail to every household in March.

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California's Great America – 2010 season

California's Great America opens the 2010 season on Sunday, March 28. All new to the park will be Snoopy and the Peanuts Gang.

Snoopy and his friends will be featured in the newly re-themed children's area, Planet Snoopy, as well as in the summer ice show, "Snoopy Rocks." Some of the new Planet Snoopy ride themes will include Peanuts Pirate's Ride, Sally's Love Buggies and Woodstock's Express, to name just a few.

Returning to the entertainment line up this year will be "All Wheels Extreme," the high energy experience featuring a talented cast of daredevils, sure to thrill with every jump, flip and tail whip. Great America will also continue fireworks displays with shows on Memorial Day weekend, Labor Day weekend, and Saturday nights in August. October will once again bring the annual Halloween Haunt event, with more gore than ever before. This event continues to be Northern California's biggest and best in-your-face Halloween experience.

Plus, California's Great America is the only theme park in California to offer a complete water park inside - free with park admission.

Combine incredible entertainment with world-class thrill rides and a water park to make California's Great America Northern California's best choice for family fun and entertainment. California's Great America – The Fun & Only!



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targeted balance of \$36.1 million to about \$8.7 million going into the 2009-10 fiscal year. There is almost no funding available in the General Fund for new programs or services unless they are City Code or regulatory compliant, or address safety issues.

A priority for the coming year will be to identify equipment replacement and infrastructure improvements that have been deferred in past budget-challenged years but need to be addressed soon in order to serve residents and businesses with reliable, cost-effective services. The Capital Projects Reserve fund has a balance of \$5.5 million, which is not enough to support all the projects listed in the Five-year Financial Plan, so City staff is ranking capital projects according to health and safety needs. The City continues to proactively seek federal economic stimulus ARRA funds for capital projects and has had success in obtaining grants, such as \$3 million to expand the reclaimed water line project.

Complicating the budget planning process this year are the unknown actions that could be taken by the State of California to take local revenues to solve its own budget problems. In 2009-10, for example, the State “borrowed” \$3 million from the City of Santa Clara and is taking \$11.8 million from the City’s Redevelopment Agency over two years (\$9.8 million in 2009-10 and \$2.0 million in 2010-11).

Public hearings on the budget will be held by the City Council in May and June; see below list of expected dates for discussions. Copies of the proposed 2010-11 budgets will be available for public review at that time at City Hall and the Library.

Public discussion of 2010-11 proposed budget

The following dates have been established for a public hearing and joint study sessions to review the proposed 2010- 2011 Annual Budget, including Operating and Capital Improvement Project Budgets. The public hearing will discuss City budgets, the Redevelopment Agency budget, the budget for the Sports & Open Space Authority, the use of funds from the federal entitlement HOME Program (used for affordable housing purposes), and adjustments to fees, rates and charges. Community Development Block Grants will also be considered although separate public hearings will be held. The schedule for 2010- 2011 study sessions and public hearings is:

- May 11 Joint study session to review significant proposed capital improvement projects
- May 18 Joint study session to review the proposed Five-Year Financial Plan and Capital Improvement Project Budget
- May 25 Joint study session to review the proposed 2010- 2011 Operating Budget
- June 15 Public hearing on the above budget elements and municipal fee schedule

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City Goals and Priorities 2009-2011

The City Council priority is to focus on successful completion of existing City projects, postpone new City projects and proposals, and operate within Council-adopted budget principles and priorities, with the goal of guiding the City successfully to economic recovery. (The complete Council Principles and Priorities 2009-11 can be found on the City website. Visit santaclaraca.gov and search for “Council goals.”

City Mission Statement

The mission of the City of Santa Clara is to promote a living and working environment that allows for the best quality of life by serving the community with resourceful, efficient, progressive and professional leadership.
- Adopted by Council action, July 25, 1989 -

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City Public Meeting Schedule

Board of Library Trustees*	1st Monday	7:00 pm
Citizens Advisory Committee	4th Monday	7:00 pm
City Council	Two Tuesdays per month	7:00 pm
Civil Service Commission	2nd Monday	7:00 pm
Cultural Advisory Commission	1st Monday	7:30 pm
Historical & Landmarks Commission	1st Thursday	7:00 pm
International Exchange Commission	1st Tuesday	7:00 pm
Parks & Recreation Commission	3rd Tuesday	7:00 pm
Planning Commission	2nd & 4th Wednesday	7:00 pm
Senior Advisory Commission**	4th Monday	10:00 am
Youth Commission (during the school year)***	2nd Tuesday	6:00 pm

Some commissions/committees meet monthly and others meet semi-monthly. Agendas for City Council, Board and Commission meetings are posted at the City Clerk’s Office at City Hall, the Central Park Library and Mission Library, and on the City website, at least 3 days before the listed meeting. Complete agenda packets with back-up reports for City Council meetings are available at either City Library beginning Saturday before the Tuesday meetings, or at the City Clerk’s Office on weekdays. The City website also allows for the viewing of Council Agenda Reports online. Visit santaclaraca.gov and search for “City Meetings.”

* Meeting is at Central Park Library, 2635 Homestead Road
** Meeting is at the Senior Center, 1303 Fremont Street
*** Meeting is at Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue

Online schedule: santaclaraca.gov
Dates and times may vary. Call (408) 615-2220 for information.



Enjoy what Santa Clara has to offer to improve your health and wellness

Safe sidewalks for walking... bicycle paths... 32 parks and playgrounds ... full-service grocery stores and farmers markets ... exercise and fitness facilities ... sports and recreation programs ... healthy lifestyle information and ideas ... and 300+ days of sunshine! The City of Santa Clara has much to offer to individuals and families who want to improve their health and wellness. Spring is a time of new starts and renewals, so there is no better time to make changes that will benefit you for years to come.

Physical activity is key to health

Daily life in 2010 in Silicon Valley is hectic and stressful, but most of us do not have jobs or household responsibilities that keep us as physically active as we need to be to maintain optimum health. Regular physical activity prevents disease by lowering the risk of heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure, high blood cholesterol and other conditions that can shorten your lifespan and negatively impact your quality of life.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recommends adults achieve two hours and 30 minutes a week of physical activity of moderate intensity. But in Santa Clara County, only 16% of adults exercise more than two hours a week and 55% are overweight or obese.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends a minimum of 60 minutes of physical activity a day for children and adolescents that include aerobic, muscle-strengthening and bone-strengthening activities. But 45% of students in Santa Clara County can't meet fitness standards.



The City of Santa Clara Recreation Department offers a wide variety of courses that combine exercise and fun, and the opportunity to make new friends. To see the classes scheduled for this spring, pick up a copy of the *Recreation Activities Guide* published in April (also in August and December) at all City facilities, view it online, or call 615-3140.



Older adults (50 +) can take advantage of exercise equipment at the Santa Clara Senior Center which also contains three indoor pools. Physical activity for older adults is extremely important to reduce their risk of chronic illness, disability and dependence. Regular exercise at advanced ages can help prevent falls and extend the life expectancy for frail older adults.



Children of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate in youth sports in Santa Clara. The Santa Clara Police Athletic League (PAL), for example, uses dedicated community volunteers to teach and coach programs from ages 5-18 including soccer, boxing, bowling, girl's softball, judo and wrestling.



The City of Santa Clara has tot lots, playgrounds and other recreational facilities at 32 parks and playgrounds. Parcours (paths with exercise stations that build muscle strength and cardiovascular fitness) are available in three Santa Clara parks: Central Park on Kiely Blvd., Fremont Park on Fremont St., and Henry Schmidt Park on Los Padres Blvd.

As little as 10 minutes of exposure to sunlight a day can help to prevent Vitamin D deficiencies.

Mayo Clinic



Bicycling at a light speed (10-12 miles per hour) can burn 400-600 calories per hour depending on your weight. The City of Santa Clara contains 20 miles of bike lanes, 7 miles of bike routes and 7 miles of recreational paths to encourage bicycling activity. Extremely popular is the paved San Tomas Aquino/Saratoga Creek Trail that connects to the San Francisco Bay Trail near Highway 237 and extends four miles through the City.

“Play allows children to use their creativity while developing their imagination, dexterity, and physical, cognitive, and emotional health.”

Academy of Pediatrics



Farmers Markets bring Santa Clara residents freshly harvested seasonal fruits and vegetables as well as gourmet food items. Farmers will talk about the benefits of organic produce and often share recipes and advice on how to store and prepare their products.

“I’m so convinced of the health benefits of basing your diet around seasonal farm-fresh produce that I’ve even written prescriptions for patients for arugula salad with lemon vinaigrette.”

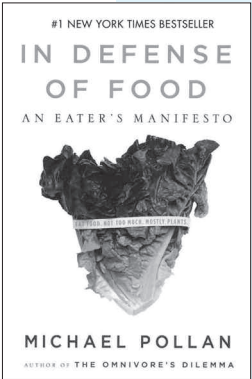
Dr. Preston Maring, founder of the Kaiser Permanente farmers market program and contributor to *Eating Well in Season*

Eat healthy, fresh food for good nutrition

The U.S. Department of Agriculture defines a “healthy diet” as one that emphasizes fruits, vegetables, whole grains and free-fat or low-fat milk and milk products. It also includes lean meats, poultry, fish, beans, eggs, and nuts and is low in saturated fats, trans fats, cholesterol, salt (sodium), and added sugars.

Residents of Santa Clara have easy and convenient access to fresh fruits and vegetables at more than 30 markets in the City as well as at year-round Farmers Markets on Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Jackson Street between Benton and Homestead, and on Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Kaiser Permanente Medical Center, 710 Lawrence Expressway, rain or shine.

The Santa Clara Public Library has hundreds of cookbooks and DVDs to help residents explore new ways to prepare quick and healthy meals at home. All can be checked out for free. The Kaiser Health & Wellness collection at the Central Park Library contains information on health and medical topics, and there are classes on how to use the Internet to research additional data.



In Defense of Food by Michael Pollan is the featured book for Silicon Valley Reads 2010. Santa Clara Central Park Library will present a program on Wednesday, March 10, as part of Silicon Valley Reads with Laura Stec and Eugene Cordero, Ph.D. talking about their book *Cool Cuisine: Taking the Bite Out of Global Warming*. It starts at 7 p.m.



Dates to note in your calendar

Holiday closures; No changes to refuse collection schedule

City Offices will be closed on two holidays: Friday, April 2, for the Spring Holiday; and Monday, May 31, for Memorial Day. There will be NO changes to the solid waste collection schedule this spring. City Libraries will be closed April 2 – 4 and May 30 and 31.

Farmers Market

Every Saturday

Celebrate the return of spring by visiting the year-round Downtown Farmers Market held every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Jackson Street between Homestead Road and Benton Street. This weekly event offers fresh produce and flowers directly from growers certified by the County Agriculture Commissioner. Questions? Call (510) 745-7100.

“Bull in a China Shop”

10 performances in March

When a houseful of sweet little old ladies becomes enamored with a handsome hunk across the street, they plot how to attract his attention. As he is a homicide detective, a little murder is the obvious answer. Santa Clara Players perform this humorous mystery by C.B. Gilford at the Triton Museum Hall Pavilion. Matinees are at 2:30 p.m. and evening performances at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$16, \$13 for seniors 55+ and \$10 for students under 22. For tickets and information call 248-7993 or visit scplayers.org.

New works at the de Saisset Museum

Through April 23

“Just In” features approximately 20 works in a wide range of media that have been recently acquired by the de Saisset Museum on the Santa Clara University campus. Many of these pieces are on view for the first time. Artists represented in this exhibition include Lita Albuquerque, Ad Reinhardt, Patsy Krebs, Gregory Edwards and Andy Warhol in addition to Santa Clara University faculty members Kathy Aoki, Kelly Detweiler and Don Fritz. For more information about this exhibition and other museum programs, visit www.scu.edu/desaisset.

Learn How to Avoid Identity Theft

March 8

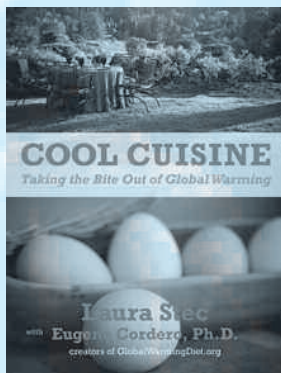
Learn how to protect your privacy, avoid identity theft, steer clear of frauds and scams, and resolve consumer complaints. The Library offers a special seminar on these topics on Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the Central Park Library Redwood Room. Celebrate Consumer Protection Week and sign up for this free program at the Reference Desk, or call 615-2900.

Cool Cuisine authors

March 10

Chef Laura Stec and Eugene Cordero, Ph.D. of the San Jose State University Meteorology Department, co-authors of *Cool Cuisine: Taking the Bite Out of Global Warming*, will speak at the Central Park Library at 7 p.m. as part of Silicon Valley Reads 2010. *Cool Cuisine* combines scientific fact and culinary art. It shows new ways of looking at the climate crisis, and how global warming and the agrochemical food system affect each other.

Full of inspiring global-cooling recipes, the book is divided into three parts: background to the global-warming problem, solutions, and culinary tips and techniques. This program is co-sponsored by the Foundation & Friends of the Santa Clara City Library. To reserve a place at this free book talk, stop by the Reference Desk or call 615-2900.



Robert Chiarito at the Triton

March 13 – June 6

The artist thinks of his work as the serious pursuit of play. Images are generated by random marking with the brush, often with his eyes closed. He then tries to make sense of the picture, imposing an order upon it by finding a head or body that presents itself in this process. Robert Chiarito's artwork will be on display at the Triton Museum of Art, 1505 Warburton Ave. Admission and parking are free. Visit

www.tritonmuseum.org or call 247-3754 for museum hours. The museum is funded in part by grants from the City of Santa Clara and the Arts Council Silicon Valley.



Change Your Clocks

March 14

Sunday, March 14, is the time to “spring ahead” and move clocks ahead one hour for the start of daylight savings time. It is also the perfect time to remember to change the batteries in all of the smoke detectors in your home. Most fatal fires occur at night while you are asleep, and having a properly maintained and working smoke detector more than doubles your chances of survival. Place a minimum of one smoke detector in every bedroom and in the main corridor outside of all sleeping areas. For multi-story homes, an additional smoke detector should be placed on every floor. For further information regarding fire and life safety, call the Santa Clara Fire Marshal's Office at 615-4970.



Friends of the Library Book Sales

March 20, April 17, May 15

Add to your private book collection, find a bargain, and support the Santa Clara City Library. Book sales will be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Central Park Library Cedar Room, 2635 Homestead Rd. Visit lovethelibrary.org for more information about the Foundation & Friends of the Santa Clara City Library or call 615-2987.

SCUSD Family Art Day

March 27

Enjoy hands-on art activities at the Triton Museum of Art, 1505 Warburton Ave., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bring the entire family for an afternoon of fun and creativity. Artwork by students from the Santa Clara Unified School District will be on display at this free event, partially supported by Target Stores and Mission City Community Fund.

Santa Clara Sister Cities Activities

March 27 and 28, April 11

The Santa Clara Sister Cities Association invites you to join them for several upcoming activities. On Sat., March 27, visit the Triton Museum of Art from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for the museum's Family Day, and see the work of Sister Cities International Young Artists on display (through April 25). And two potlucks held on different dates at 5 p.m. at the Senior Center will welcome visitors from each of Santa Clara's sister cities: Sun., March 28 will host visitors from Izumo, Japan, and Sun., April 11 will host visitors from Coimbra, Portugal.

Enjoy any and all of these events, and also consider joining the Santa Clara Sister Cities Association (SCA). SCA is an exciting way for local

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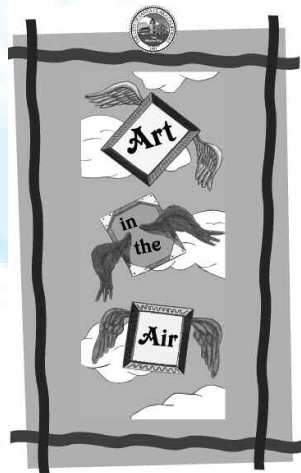
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citizens to expand their cultural, civic and educational horizons. Sister Cities brings people in Santa Clara closer together while opening a window on the world. By joining, you will receive a quarterly newsletter, invitations to potlucks, as well as a reduced price to our ever growing and popular Chicken Barbeque. Joining Santa Clara SCA will give you unlimited access to meeting our friends from Izumo, Japan and Coimbra, Portugal. High school students are especially encouraged to join the SCA Youth Commission at their school. For more information on SCA programs and opportunities, visit www.santaclarasistercities.org.

“Art in the Air” Banner Exhibit

April-September

Hand-painted banners by local artists will be on display from mid-April through September on street light poles on El Camino Real, between Lincoln Street and Los Padres Blvd. Santa Clara County artists were invited to submit entries for the 4th biennial Art in the Air exhibit, sponsored by the City and its Cultural Advisory Commission. Winning designs, reflecting a wide range of artistic styles, were selected by the Cultural Advisory Commission. A full-color brochure showing each work of art and the names of the artists will be available at many City facilities including City Hall and Central Park Library, as well as at the Santa Clara Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call 615-2219.



Easter Egg Hunt

April 3

On your mark...get set...go to the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Central Park. Now in its 36th year, the hunt is scheduled for Sat., April 3, rain or shine, and will begin promptly at 10 a.m. with divisions for ages 2 and under, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and special needs. Parking is limited so arrive early and take part in the pre-hunt activities that will start at 9 a.m. There will be carnival games, face painting by the Roberta Jones Junior Theatre, and photographs with the Easter Bunny for nominal fees. There will be a concession booth with tasty morning snacks for sale, too. Don't forget your Easter basket to place your candy in! This popular event is sponsored by the Santa Clara Kiwanis, Santa Clara Elks Lodge #2347 and the Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Department. Call 615-3140 for more information.



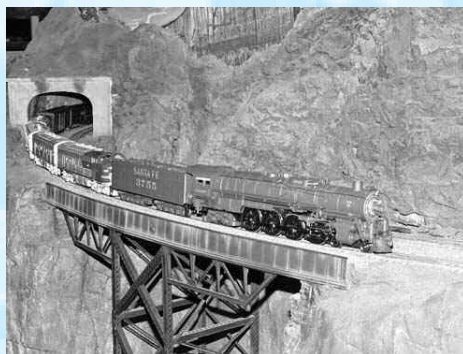
Model Train Show

April 10-11

Model trains and railroad artifacts are the focus of the Spring 2010 Model Train Show at the historic Santa Clara Depot. Two museum-quality model railroad layouts and a collection of railroad artifacts – many provided by local families steeped in railroad history – will be on display from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

The HO and N-scale model train displays at the Santa Clara Depot are works in process. Both layouts are progressing significantly as various areas are made into scenes depicting different eras of western railroading. The layouts operate in eras ending in 1959, meaning that scenery (structures, industries and businesses) and vehicles are consistent with real railroad operations of the era.

Another focus of the train show is the organization's Company Store, which sells used model railroad trains, and railroad memorabilia, books,



magazines and videos.

The South Bay Historical Railroad Society is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization founded in 1985 to restore and maintain the historic former Southern Pacific Santa Clara Depot and to maintain a museum and a library of railroad-related information.

The Edward Peterman Museum of Railroad History includes a collection of railroad lanterns and many historic trackside and grade crossing signaling devices, as well as memorabilia that celebrate the heritage of local railroad workers. The Santa Clara interlocking control tower, which for many years stood sentry over the adjacent rail yard, will be open for tours, weather permitting.

A donation of \$5 for adults will be collected at the entrance to the depot. Admission for those under 18 is free. For more information, visit the SBHRS website at sbhrs.org or leave a recorded message at 243-3969.

“Honk” Performances

April 16-18, 23-25

The Roberta Jones Junior Theatre Youth Production this spring will be “Honk,” a re-telling of the classic Ugly Duckling fable. Evening performances are at 7 p.m. and matinees at 2 p.m. For ticket information visit www.rjjt.org or call 615-3161.

Celebrate Ulistac Day and Going Native Garden Tour

April 18

Enjoy the springtime beauty of one of the City's parks, Ulistac Natural Area, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Fourth Annual Celebrate Ulistac Day. The event will celebrate Ulistac and its restoration by more than 500 volunteers with tours, educational and sales booths, California Native Plant gardening demonstrations and fun activities for all ages. In addition to the City of Santa Clara, Ulistac partners include Santa Clara University's Environmental Studies Institute, Wilcox High School, Intel, California Native Plant Society, and the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority. Ulistac Natural Area is located on Lick Mill Blvd. between Montague Expwy. and Tasman Dr. For more information, call 554-5419, email ulistac@scu.edu or visit www.scu.edu/envs/ulistac.

Volunteer at Ulistac

March-May

Get involved with the restoration and volunteer program at Ulistac Natural Area! Your efforts will help to preserve the California native vegetation at this 40-acre wildlife habitat and open space located along the Guadalupe River on Lick Mill Boulevard, south of Tasman Drive. Ulistac showcases the way this valley looked more than a century ago. Workdays are March 6 and 21, April 3, and May 1 and 16 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteers should wear long pants and sturdy work shoes, be equipped with sunscreen and hats, and bring a lunch and plenty of water for drinking. Gloves and tools are provided. A special “Celebrate Ulistac” day is scheduled for April 18. Visit the website at www.scu.edu/envs/ulistac, call 554-5419, or email ulistac@scu.edu for more information.

Benefit Bingo Supports Two Causes

April 23

The Youth Commission will host their third annual “Paws for a Cause” Benefit Bingo Spaghetti Feed fundraiser to support the Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority (SVACA) Animal Assistance Program, a program that enables staff to give specialized veterinary care to rehabilitate sick and injured animals, and the Community Service Scholarship Fund, established by the City's Youth Commission to acknowledge their peers who are committed to community service. The fundraiser will be held at the Senior Center from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and includes a spaghetti dinner and dessert, bingo with prizes and raffle prizes. Tickets are \$10.00 and go on sale March 5. Tickets are pre-sale only and can be purchased at the Senior Center, Teen Center and SVACA. Call 615-3740 for more information.

Arbor Day/Earth Day Celebration

April 23

The City of Santa Clara annual Arbor Day/Earth Day celebration is set for Fri., April 23 at 10 a.m. on the Triton Museum grounds at 1505 Warburton Ave. The year 2010 will mark the 22nd year that the City of Santa Clara will be presented with a Tree City U.S.A award from the National Arbor Day Foundation, recognizing Santa Clara for its effective tree care program, which includes an integrated pest management system, increased tree plantings, continuing education for City tree crews, and computerized irrigation for all landscaping throughout the City in public rights-of-way and medians. Arbor Day/Earth Day will include guest speakers, information on

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tree care, and ideas on things everyone can do to help preserve the earth's natural resources. Members of the City Council, the Parks & Recreation Commission, and children from local schools will attend. For more information, call 615-3080.

Fish Derby

April 24

On Sat., April 24, children age 3-11 can try their luck fishing at the annual Fish Derby. This free event will be held from 6-11 a.m. at the Santa Clara Civic Center Plaza, near El Camino Real and Lincoln Street. The reflection pool will be transformed into a fishing pond filled with active, healthy trout for the children to catch. Rods and bait will be provided. The Santa Clara Kiwanis Club, Santa Clara Elks Club, Santa Clara Lions Club, Mission City Community Fund, and Santa Clara Parks & Recreation Department sponsor this event, with support from a variety of local community groups. Call the Parks & Recreation office at 615-2260 for more information.



MCCF Walk-a-Thon

April 25

The Mission City Community Fund (MCCF) Walk-a-Thon will take place at 6:30 a.m. at California's Great America. Register at Active.com. Entry fee is \$35 for adults, \$15 for children, and a Family package for \$100, and can also be purchased at Keypoint Credit Union. Entry fee includes admission to Great America. For more information, call Dan MacNaughton at 593-4464. Proceeds benefit Santa Clara charities. MCCF's focus areas for giving include theater, arts, social services, education and the environment. Every dollar of the funds generated from this event are directed to these causes.

"Flaming Idiots"

May 7 - 22

Two restaurant proprietors have lots of spirit but little judgment in running their new gourmet health food restaurant. A cross town eatery has been crowded ever since a notorious mobster was shot there, and they wonder if a similar incident might turn their restaurant into a hot spot. This Santa Clara Players' production by Tom Rooney will be performed at the Triton Museum Hall Pavilion. Matinees are at 2:30 p.m. and evening performances at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$16, with senior and student discounts available. For tickets and information, visit www.scplayers.org, or call 248-7993.

The Santa Clara Players also have a slate of short plays and monologues, "One Acts," that are perfect for entertainment at your organization's meeting or at retirement homes. For information, contact Kathy at 370-6944.

Bike to Work Day

May 13

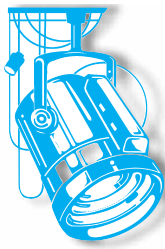
Bike or walk to work on Thursday, the annual Bike To Work Day! With the help of the City's Bicycle Advisory Committee, the City of Santa Clara will be hosting an Energizer Station at the northeast corner of El Camino Real and Lincoln Street from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. with free refreshments for Bike To Work Day participants. More information on Bike To Work Day can be found on the following website: bicycling.511.org/.



Sunday in the Park

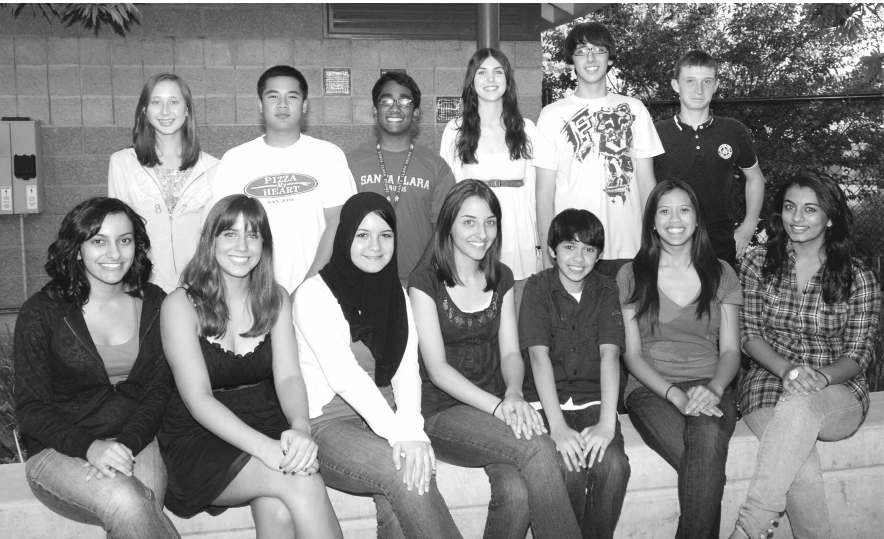
May 23

Join the Orchard Valley Fine Arts Foundation for a Sunday in the Park event at 2 p.m. behind the Triton Museum of Art, and the Headen-Inman House. There will be music and acts by a number of South Bay performing arts groups, displays, a silent auction and door prizes. Mission



SPOTLIGHT ON CITY BOARD, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Youth Commission seeks applicants



Are you a teen interested in making a difference? Do you want to be a voice for youth in your community? Applications for the 2010-11 term on the Santa Clara Youth Commission are due at the Teen Center no later than Fri., March 19 at 5 p.m. Oral interviews will be conducted on Sat., April 10. **No exception will be made for the interview date.**

Applications are available at the Teen Center, Community Recreation Center, Walter E. Schmidt Youth Activity Center, Central Park Library, City Hall and Santa Clara and Wilcox High School Counseling and ASB offices. If you have any questions about Youth Commission or the application process, contact Jennifer Herb at 615-3740. See page 8 for Youth Commission community service scholarship information.

ADA Committee meeting

The City of Santa Clara Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Advisory Committee will hold its joint meeting with the City Staff ADA Compliance Committee on Monday, March 8, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Community Room at the Mission Library Family Reading Center, 1098 Lexington St.

The ADA Advisory Committee is composed of representatives from the community, both individuals and organizations such as Hearing Loss Association of America and the Adult Independence Development Center. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meetings and participate in the various accessibility issues discussed. For further information contact the Engineering Department at 615-3000.

City Opera, Lyric Opera, the Choraliers, Santa Clara Players, and other Santa Clara Arts & Historical Consortium groups will participate to raise funds for the Arts Walk event to be held in October. Join us under the lovely trees in front of the stage, or bring a blanket to sit on the lawn. For more information, call 296-4481.

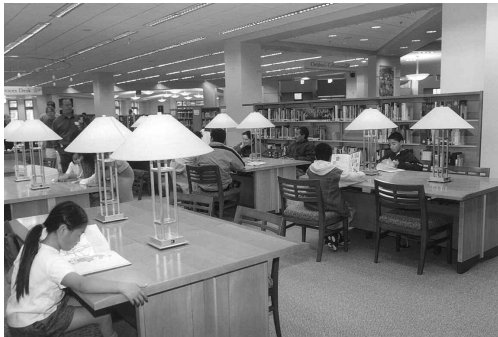
Victorian Fashion Show

June 13

The lovely, shaded garden of the Harris-Lass Historic Museum at 1889 Market Street will be the setting for an "Afternoon Tea and Vintage Fashion Show" from 1 to 4 p.m. Guests will be served tea, scones, finger sandwiches, fruit and pastries while enjoying a vintage hat and fashion show featuring costumes and dress of the 19th and early 20th century. The historical fashion show will be organized and performed by actors from History San Jose's renowned "Portraits of the Past" who take on the roles and model the clothes once worn by actual pioneers from Santa Clara Valley's past. Guests will also receive a pass to return, at a later date, for a private tour of the beautifully appointed Harris-Lass House with its delightful antique collections. Tickets for this fundraiser are \$25 each in advance. Purchase early as seating is limited to 100. Contact Maria at 246-3822 for more information or to reserve tickets, or leave an inquiry on the message line of the Harris-Lass House Museum at 249-7905.



Julia, Carolina and Johanna Lass.



Library Update



Learn more about computers and the Internet

The Library offers a variety of courses to help the public learn more about how to use computers and the research potential of the Internet. Here are a few hands-on programs coming up this spring at the Technology Center of the Central Park Library. All are scheduled for 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Looking for more information about medical conditions, medications, or health news and videos? Come to *Medical Research Using MedlinePlus* on Thur., March 4, taught by Kaiser Medical Librarian Doris Hayashikawa. She will demonstrate and show how to find this information using a library workstation and the Internet.

Are you a quilter who would like to be more savvy using quilting websites? Have you wondered how to get started quilting, but didn't know where to connect for classes and quilting groups? Come and join us for *Quilting Resources* on Thur., March 18.

Learn more about using your email account at *Email Beyond the Basics* on Thur., March 25. Students will learn about sending attachments with messages and organizing mail with folders.

Join us on Earth Day, Thur., April 22, for Internet Search Strategies, with an emphasis on environmental topics. On Thur., March 11 and Thur., May 20, we will continue with the regular monthly Internet Search Strategies class. This more advanced Internet search class is designed to help you improve your search skills and answer your questions.

Job searching using the Internet is a new skill for many out-of-work people. On Thur., April 8, come to the *Job Hunting Help* class to learn about the best techniques for using job websites, where to get help with practice interviews, taking tests, and hands on assistance with reformatting your resume for different purposes and website requirements.

If you are new to computers, ask about a mouse practice program you can use before attending our *Internet/Catalog Basics* classes on Fri., March 5, Thur., April 15, and Thur., May 6.

Sign up in the Technology Center or at the 2nd floor Reference Desk, or call 615-2900. For information, check the calendar on the Library's website, library.santaclaraca.gov; the Library's blog, www.sccnews.blogspot.com; the Library's Facebook page (look for the large, lowercase f on the bottom of library website); or the City of Santa Clara's Twitter, twitter.com/santaclaracity. Ask at the Library or call the above number for updates to Library computer class information.

Learn a new language online

Are you planning a vacation or business trip overseas? Learn some basic words and phrases of the language of the country you will be visiting with *Mango Languages*, a web-based language learning resource that includes 22 different languages.

To use Mango Languages, go to the Santa Clara City Library's home page, www.library.santaclaraca.gov, and click on the Research/Resources link. Using the pull-down menu, select Electronic Resources and click on the *Mango Languages* link. Choose *Mango Basic* for learning some language basics quickly for upcoming travel or try *Mango Complete*, if you have more time and wish to go into depth learning the language. *Mango Complete* includes courses in nine languages and three English-as-a-Second Language (ESL) courses for Brazilian Portuguese, Polish, and Spanish.

If you have questions or need assistance with *Mango Languages*, visit the Reference Desk or call 615-2900.

Santa Clara Library is one of America's best!

Santa Clara City Library has been ranked in the top four percent of public libraries in the U.S. according to the *Library Journal's* Index of Public Library Service 2009 that rates 7,268 public libraries. The ratings are based on per capita visits, circulation, program attendance, and public Internet terminal use. Congratulations Santa Clara City Library!

Things to know about youth and extension services

1. Children's story times will be on "spring break" from March 1-14, and will resume the week of March 15.
2. The Monday Morning Movies program at Central Park Library continues with screenings on March 29 and April 26. Movies begin at 10 a.m. and light refreshments are served. The Library's licensing agreement doesn't permit advertising the titles of the films shown but you may call Susan Baier, Youth and Extension Services Division Manager, at 615-2921 for details.
3. Parent education classes are scheduled for Mon., March 29 and April 26. Topics will be announced closer to the date.
4. An American Girls program is being planned for April.

For more information about exciting youth programs coming in the spring, watch the calendar on the Library's website:

library.santaclaraca.gov, or call Youth Services at 615-2916.

Learn about genealogy and your ancestry at the Library

The Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society has partnered with the City of Santa Clara for many years, assisting the Santa Clara City Library in maintaining and managing its genealogy collection, and providing several free public genealogy programs each year, such as these scheduled this spring at the Central Park Library, 2635 Homestead Rd.

- "What's New for Genealogists at the Santa Clara City Library," Tue., March 16, 7-8:45 p.m.

Local History Librarian Mary Hanel will review the best of the new genealogy and local history books added to the Heritage Pavilion Collection during the past year, talk about new databases added to Ancestry Library Edition, and demonstrate the Library's new Genealogy and Local History webpages that were launched in November 2009.

- "From DNA to Genetic Genealogy: Everything You Want to Know but Were Afraid to Ask!" Tue., April 20, 7-8:45 p.m.

Genealogist Dr. Stephen P. Morse will discuss how DNA samples are being used to assist people in using genetics to trace their family's ancestral origins. Find out why everything we need to know about genealogy involves three basic concepts: genes, chromosomes, and DNA.

- "Beginner's Genealogy Seminar-Part 1: The Basics," Sat., May 1, 1-4 p.m.

In this free class, members of the Genealogy Society will review the basics of getting started in genealogy research: where to look for information, how to use basic genealogy forms and pedigree charts, and how to document sources found. Handouts will be included. RSVP is required so sign up in Central Park Library's Heritage Pavilion or email the Society at scchgs@hotmail.com or call 615-2986.

- "Beginner's Genealogy Seminar- Part 2: Internet & Census," Sat., May 8, 1-4 p.m.

In this second free class with handouts, members of the Genealogy Society will show the types of free genealogy websites that can be searched on the Internet, and how to use and interpret Census records for genealogical research. RSVP is required so sign up in the Central Park Library's Heritage Pavilion or email the Society at scchgs@hotmail.com or call 615-2986.

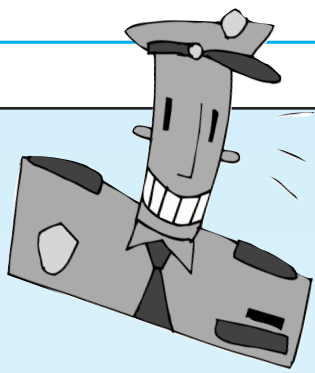
- "3-D History of the Civil War," Tue., May 18, 7-8:45 p.m.

Engineer Ron Perisho, amateur historian and photography enthusiast, will give a 3-D slide presentation of photographs taken during the Civil War (1861-1865). He will discuss the history of the war, and how the slides were made – including the reason behind the release of the photos and the creation process, cataloging, and archiving of 3-D photos.

See the Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society's website, scchgs.org, for more information on its services and programs. Local History Librarian Mary Hanel also may be contacted for information—by phone 615-2909 or email at mhanel@santaclaraca.gov.



CODE COMPLIANCE QUESTIONS



Q My neighbors have a boat they park on the street or on their front lawn. Is this legal?

A The Code of the City of Santa Clara restricts the parking of any vehicle, including boats, on any street or alley for more than a consecutive period of 72 hours. It also prohibits the parking of vehicles for any length of time on the required landscaped areas of residential properties, including front yards. Vehicles may only be parked on areas surfaced with all-weather materials such as concrete, asphalt, brick, stone, or gravel. To report vehicles that have been parked in excess of 72 consecutive hours in one location, or to report inoperable vehicles on the street, call Abandoned Vehicle Abatement at 615-4778 for follow-up by a Community Service Officer in the Police Department. To report illegally parked vehicles on landscaped areas of residential properties or for more information on this topic, call the City's Code Enforcement Office at 615-2460.

Q Can I dispose of my old TV or computer monitor in the trash or during the Annual Clean-Up Campaign?

A No. Computer monitors, televisions, some camcorders and other electronic devices contain cathode ray tubes (CRTs), often called "picture tubes," which convert an electronic signal into a visual image. A typical CRT contains between two and five pounds of lead, a toxic substance that may cause lead poisoning and can be especially harmful to young children. If products containing lead are disposed of in the trash, the lead can potentially contaminate the soil and our water supplies. Waste CRTs are subject to universal waste regulations that protect the environment by promoting the safe collection and recycling of waste CRTs. Disposing of CRTs to the trash or the municipal landfill is prohibited. People should take waste CRTs to a collection facility. Working televisions or computer monitors can be donated to charitable organizations. For more information on where to dispose of your waste CRT, call the City of Santa Clara's Solid Waste Supervisor Dave Staub at 615-3086.

Scholarship opportunities for Santa Clarans

The City of Santa Clara Youth Commission offers **community service scholarships** to City of Santa Clara resident high school juniors and graduating seniors. Last year, the Youth Commission awarded \$2,000 in scholarships to students with a minimum 2.5 grade point average who had contributed to the Santa Clara community.

The deadline for applications and essays is March 19 at 5 p.m. Applications are available at the Teen Center, Community Recreation Center, Walter E. Schmidt Youth Activity Center, Central Park Library, City Hall and Santa Clara and Wilcox High School Counseling and ASB offices. Oral interviews will be conducted on Sat., April 10. **No exceptions will be made for the interview date.** For further information, contact Jennifer Herb at 615-3740.

Other scholarships are available for students who are interested in careers related to energy services and the power industry. Silicon Valley Power, the City's Electric Utility, is offering up to three \$5,000 scholarships and up to five technical tuition grants of \$2,000 each. Deadline for applications is Fri., March 29.

The \$5,000 scholarships are open to students attending a community or four-year college and majoring in field related to energy and power, such as engineering, technology and environmental science. The \$2,000 technical grants are available to individuals pursuing professional development in careers such as lineman, apprenticeship training programs and solar installers at technical schools or community colleges.

Applicants must be residents of the City of Santa Clara and a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, possess a high school diploma or be a high school senior, and be enrolled in a fully licensed and accredited community college, college or technical school. Applications are available online at siliconvalleypower.com/scholarship and by calling 261-5036.

Spring into action with a recreation class

Spring is a perfect time to get out and enjoy new activities, and Parks & Recreation classes are a great place to start!

Try an art class, explore a new style of cooking, take up tennis or golf, or get in shape with others in a fitness class. We offer Jazzercise at the Senior Center, Bollywood Fitness at the Community Recreation Center, Yoga and dance programs. Improve your health and wellness! See the related information found on page 13. If you love being outdoors, sign up for a hike to see the elephant seals, or join a kayaking trip!

Active programs for children include bowling, gymnastics, tennis, soccer, basketball, skateboarding, indoor rock climbing, and more!

See the *City of Santa Clara Recreation Activities Guide* for a complete listing of all programs being offered. Pick up a copy at the Community Recreation Center, Walter E. Schmidt Youth Activity Center, Teen Center, Senior Center, City Hall, Central Park Library, or Mission Library Family Reading Center. You may also register in person during regular business hours at the Community Recreation Center or Walter E. Schmidt Youth Activity Center.

The Winter/Spring Activity guide is also available online at: www.santaclaraca.gov. To sign up for classes online, click on the link for Activities and Classes and look for the green "Register Online" button. An account "PIN" number is required before using the online service. Call the Community Recreation Center, 615-3140, for more information.

Show your love of animals with volunteer action



If the plight of homeless animals in Santa Clara is of concern to you, consider devoting a few hours to volunteer work at the Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority's (SVACA) Animal Care Center. SVACA always needs volunteers who love animals and want to make a difference.

"One of our goals is to place all of our adoptable animals into permanent and loving homes and thus far we've been able to do so with the help of our dedicated volunteers," said Michael Limper, SVACA Shelter Manager.

Volunteers are viewed as non-paid staff members who are required to follow all SVACA rules and policies. Individuals must be at least 18 years old and agree in concept with the mission statement of SVACA. Positions include:

- Cat Volunteer: Exercise, groom, and socialize adoptable cats.
- Dog Volunteer: Train, exercise and groom adoptable dogs.
- Foster Parent: Provide food, care, and socialization for young, sick or injured animals in your home.

All volunteers must attend an orientation at the SVACA Animal Care Center, 3370 Thomas Rd. in Santa Clara. Contact SVACA at 764-0344 or visit www.svaca.com for date and time information on upcoming orientations.

The Friends of SVACA, a nonprofit organization that supports SVACA's programs, is also in need of volunteers to help with activities such as fundraising and offsite adoptions. "The Friends of SVACA make a huge difference for the animals, but they can do so much more with additional volunteers," added Limper. More information about the group can be found at www.friendsofsvaca.org.

SVACA is a joint powers authority that provides animal care and control services to the cities of Santa Clara, Campbell and Monte Sereno. Adoption services and volunteer opportunities are open to all in the Bay Area. Adopt a companion animal from SVACA, the Valley's only cageless animal care center!



Nonprofit partners

The City of Santa Clara contracts with a number of local nonprofit agencies for the provision of community services. These agencies are funded by either the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement program or the Redevelopment Agency Affordable Housing Fund program. The objective is to provide funding support to assist persons and households that are low income. The services provided by these agencies are reviewed annually by the City for consideration of continued funding support. Here are a few of the agencies, the services that they provide for Santa Clara, and contact telephone numbers (area codes are 408 unless otherwise noted):

- Project Sentinel (fair housing services, information and referral, investigation); (650) 321-6291
- Project Sentinel (counseling services on mortgage problems); 720-9888
- Silicon Valley Independent Living Center (counseling and training services, independent living skills training); 894-9041
- Outreach (transportation services); 436-2865
- Live Oak Senior Day Services (senior day services); 971-9363
- Support Network for Battered Women (case management services for residents of Homesafe—Santa Clara); 501-7550
- St. Justin Community Ministry (provision of food staples for needy families); 983-0360
- Catholic Charities Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (monitor conditions at residential care and skilled care facilities); 944-0567
- Council on Aging (individual counseling for seniors on independent living needs); 296-8290.

A complete list of the City’s community service non-profit partners is posted on the City’s website at santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1096 or call the Housing & Community Services Division at 615-2490.

Refinancing school bonds saves money

Through careful stewardship and monitoring of the bonds sold for Measures B and J, the Santa Clara Unified School District has earned a very strong ‘AA’ rating from bond agencies. Combined with favorable market conditions, this has saved \$7.8 million on the recent refinancing of Measure B bonds. Bonds were sold through competitive bids in order to attain the lowest interest rates and corresponding tax levies, and regularly monitoring market conditions helped to identify the most advantageous time for refinancing in order to save the citizens of the Santa Clara Unified School District money on their taxes.

While the initial proceeds from bonds authorized by Measures B and J can only be used for facilities projects as approved by SCUSD voters (and cannot be deposited in the general fund to help alleviate the large budget cuts the School District has suffered from Sacramento), 100% of the net savings from refinancing goes to the taxpayers.

Census

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Questions are easy to answer: name, gender, age, race, ethnicity, relationship, and whether you own or rent your home. It takes only about 10 minutes for the average household to complete. It is required by federal law to respond to the 2010 Census questionnaire.

All responses are used for statistical purposes only, and are strictly confidential. The U.S. Census Bureau does not ask about the legal status of respondents in any of its surveys and census programs. Spanish/English forms will be mailed to neighborhoods identified as bilingual and questionnaires in Chinese (Simplified), Korean, Vietnamese, Hindi, and Russian, as well as language guides in 59 languages, are available on request.

For more information, visit the 2010 Census website at 2010.census.gov or call the Santa Clara local Census office at 792-6530.



IT’S IN OUR HANDS



SANTA CLARA SENIOR CENTER SERVICES
1303 Fremont Street
Phone: 408.615.3170

- ❖ **Attic Insulation** Pre-set Income Criteria. Call 408/971-0888
- ❖ **Blood Pressure** Wed. 9:30-11:30 a.m. Drop-in
Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Fri. By appointment
- ❖ **BART Tickets** Available at Senior Center Cost: \$9.00 Value: \$24.00
- ❖ **VTA Bus Pass** Picture taken at County \$25.00 Monthly Bus Sticker
Transit & Senior Center Sold at Senior Center
- ❖ **Case Management** Dawn Pollak Call 408/615-3170
- ❖ **Fitness Room** Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Friday, 7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Grab Bars/Ramps/Repairs** . Low-interest rate. For City of
Santa Clara Homeowners Call 408/615-2490
- ❖ **Health Insurance** Barbara Purdy Free service by appointment
Counseling/Medicare Call 408/615-3170
- ❖ **Home Care Info./** Susan Bates Donations Accepted
Referral Service Scheduled hrs. Call 408/615-3170
- ❖ **Income Tax** Scheduled Appointments Free Service
Call 408/615-3170
- ❖ **Legal Assistance** Age Limit: 60+ By appt. only
Call 408/615-3170
- ❖ **Nursing Consultant** . . . Mon. through Fri. Drop-in or appointments
Mallory von Kugelgen, RN. Call 408/615-3170
Jodie Sugiyama, RNP. Call 408/615-3170
- ❖ **Nutrition Program** Donation \$2.50 Age Limit: 60+
Two day advance reservations required
Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m. Call 408/615-3174
- ❖ **Outreach** Free Information Service. Call 408/436-2865
- ❖ **Catholic Charities Housing** Call 408/325-5277

The Senior Center Office Hours are as follows:
Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. • Friday, 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Saturday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. • Sunday, Closed

Free tax preparation
help for Seniors 50+

AARP Tax Aide volunteers will be at the Senior Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 14 to help Santa Clara seniors, ages 50 and up, with their 2009 federal and state income tax returns. You must call the Senior Center office at 615-3170 to make an appointment, and you will be provided with a list of information that you should bring. Note that the volunteers are not trained to prepare tax forms that report business, rental, or partnership income.





EARTHQUAKE SAFETY

The tragic devastation of Haiti is reminder that earthquakes can occur any time

The recent earthquake in Haiti is a dramatic reminder of how important it is to be prepared for earthquakes and to be self sufficient afterwards, should one occur. Scientists estimate a 67 percent probability of an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.0 or larger occurring on the San Andreas, Hayward, or Rodgers Creek Fault in the San Francisco Bay Area sometime in the next 30 years – and it could be as soon as next week, tomorrow or right now!

A major earthquake could strain public agencies beyond their capacity and you might be without direct assistance for 72 hours or more. Are you prepared to be self-sufficient? Is your family? Your neighborhood?

April is Earthquake Preparedness Month, so take time now to review the following information with your family:

During the Earthquake:

Drop: When you feel an earthquake, drop under a sturdy desk or table. Try to stay away from windows, tall bookcases, and other heavy objects that might fall. If you cannot find a desk or table, get into a doorway or hallway, or brace yourself against an interior wall.

Cover: Stay under cover until the shaking stops. If you are in a doorway, watch out for the swinging door. If you are in an open area, kneel down and cover your head with a book or anything else you can find.

Hold: Hold onto the desk or table. As it moves, move with it. Hold on until the shaking stops.

High-Rise Buildings: If you are in a high-rise building and cannot get under a desk, move to an interior wall. Do not use the elevators. Don't be surprised if the electricity goes out.

Outdoors: If you are outdoors, move to a clear area away from trees, power lines, signs and buildings.

Sidewalk Near a Building: Duck into a doorway to protect yourself from falling bricks, glass, and other debris.

Driving: Pull over to the side of the road. Avoid bridges, power lines, and other hazards. Stay in the car until the shaking stops.

Kitchen: If you are in your kitchen, move away from heavy appliances such as refrigerators. Avoid areas with overhead cupboards and hanging objects.

Theater: If you are in a theater, stay in your seat, and protect your head with your arms. Do not try to leave until the shaking is over.

Don't Panic: Above all, remain calm.

After the Earthquake:

Aftershocks: Be prepared for aftershocks.

Check for Injuries: Check yourself and those around you for injuries. Administer first aid as needed.

Check Utilities: Check your utilities. If you suspect that the gas, water or electrical wiring is damaged, turn them off. Use a flashlight or light stick to check your utilities. DO NOT use matches, candles or other open flame.

Monitor the radio: Don't go sightseeing. Cooperate with public safety officials. Use a transistor radio to monitor the Emergency Alert System (EAS) for news and information.

Telephones: Try to minimize your use of telephones. If you see telephones off the hook, hang them up. This will help the telephone company to restore service.

Cabinets and Cupboards: When opening cabinets and cupboards, use caution. The contents of the cabinet might be heaped up against the door, and may fall on you when the door is opened.

Stay out of Damaged Buildings: Don't go into damaged buildings until they have been declared safe by building inspectors.

Organize Your Emergency Supplies: Take the time to put together emergency supplies for your family. You should have adequate supplies and water to last your family at least 72 hours. Visit the City website www.santaclaraca.gov, and search for "emergency preparedness" for a complete list of recommended supplies for home, vehicle and office.

It's time to check your emergency supplies

How well is your family prepared for an earthquake or other disaster? Check your cupboards to see if you have these basics:

- ☐ At least 3 gallons of water per person (and some for pets)
- ☐ Nonperishable food for at least 3 days for every family member and pet in your household
- ☐ Flashlight with extra batteries
- ☐ AM/FM radio with extra batteries stored outside of the radio
- ☐ Sturdy shoes and socks
- ☐ Blankets and sleeping bags
- ☐ Spare glasses and/or contact solution
- ☐ Hygiene products (soap, toilet paper, antiseptic wipes, etc.)
- ☐ Prescription drugs (refill when you still have at least 3 - 5 days supply remaining)



For more information on how to be better prepared for emergencies, visit the City website www.santaclaraca.gov and click on Emergency Preparedness Guidelines on the City Publications tab.

Sign up for disaster prep training program

A 20-hour training program to help residents be better prepared for major disasters will begin April 8. The Home Emergency Assistance Team (HEAT) program focuses on what individuals, families, and neighborhoods can do to survive and be self-sufficient for the 72 hours after a disaster when first responders may be overwhelmed with demands and unable to meet all of the community's needs.

Taught by members of the Santa Clara Fire Department, the classes include basic emergency skills such as first aid, basic firefighting, light search and rescue, and building damage assessment.

"These skills are easy to learn and can be used for many types of emergencies," said Fire Chief Phil Kleinheinz. "Participants gain self-confidence and learn how to be self-reliant by practicing with the tools and equipment that they may have to use in a real emergency."

Classes are held at the Fire Training Center, 1900 Walsh Ave. The cost is \$25 for an individual or \$40 for a couple. For class opportunities in April and May, registration, and more information, contact the Fire Department at 615-4940.

More than 900 residents have graduated from the HEAT training program since it began. Its 15th anniversary is being celebrated in 2010 with the offering of a series of free disaster preparedness workshops that will include information on the H1N1 flu pandemic by the Santa Clara Public Health Department.

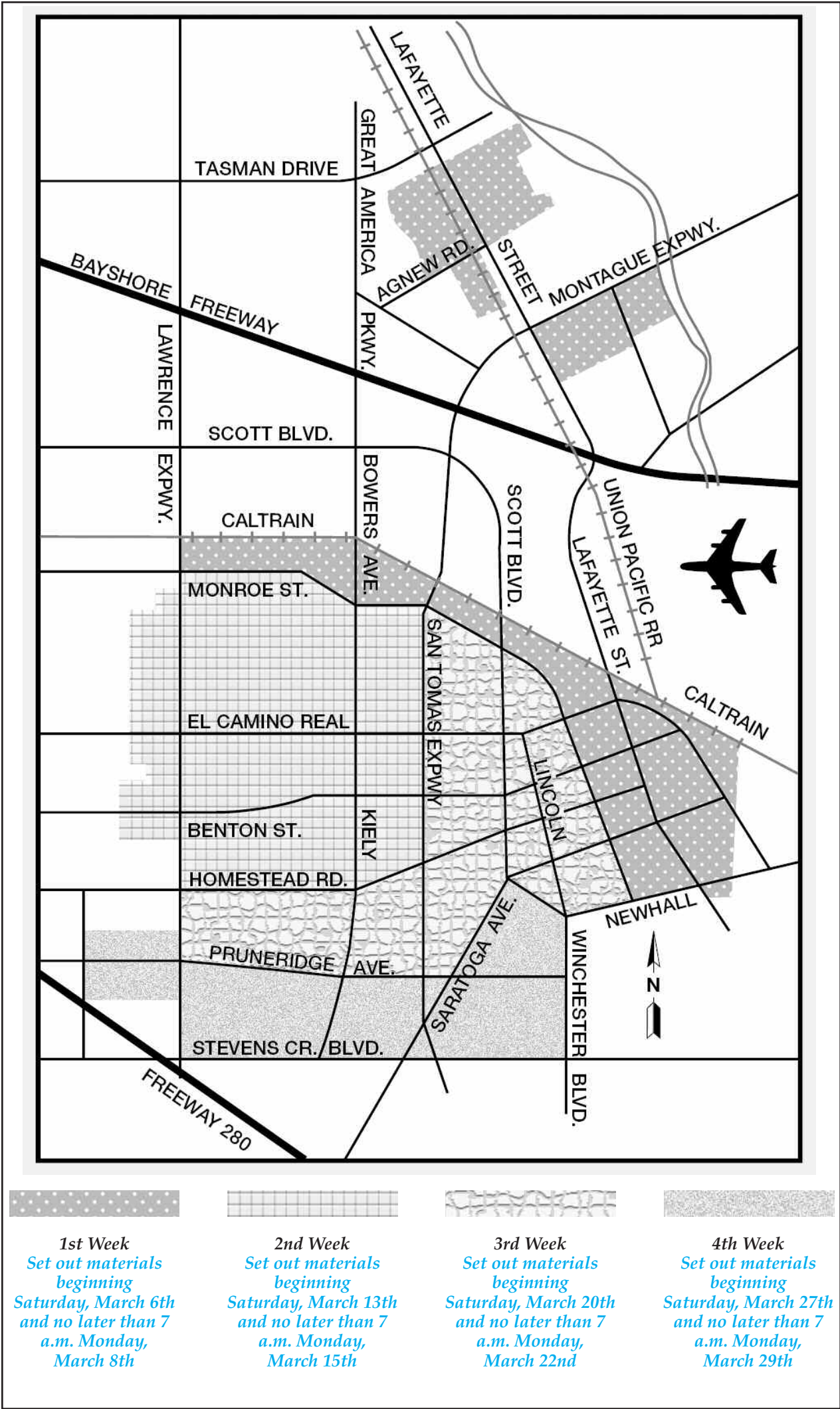
Retrofit your home for earthquake safety

May 3 - 7

The recent earthquake in Haiti is another wake up call for us to prepare for the next big quake to hit our area. During the Building Safety Week from May 3 to 7, the City of Santa Clara Building Inspection Office together with the Fire Department will offer free classes to Santa Clarans to learn how their homes can be retrofitted to prevent excessive damages from an earthquake, and things to do to prepare you for an earthquake. No plan check fee for seismic retrofit projects on single family homes is required during that week. Information on Building Safety Week events will be posted on the City's website in April. Or call the Building Inspection Office at 615-2440 in April to obtain additional information.



50th anniversary for Clean-Up Campaign



March 8-April 2

Santa Clara’s 50th annual Clean-Up Campaign will begin on March 8 and continue through April 2. This is your opportunity to set out bulky wastes and discards not routinely collected by weekly garbage, Clean Green and recycling collection services. Please read the following information carefully to help make the 2010 Clean-Up Campaign a success.

Collection Areas and Dates

The City has been divided into four collection areas (see map). Information on collection areas, weeks and setout dates can be found in this article and in the 2009 Annual Report/2010City Calendar or in your February utility bill insert.

Area #1 (March 8): Both sides of Monroe Street. Set out material beginning Sat., March 6, and not later than 7 a.m. on Mon., March 8.

Area #2 (March 15): Both sides of Homestead Road between San Tomas Expressway and Lawrence Expressway. Set out material beginning Sat., March 13, and not later than 7 a.m. on Mon., March 15.

Area #3 (March 22): Both sides of Newhall Street between Saratoga Avenue and Winchester Boulevard. Both sides of Saratoga Avenue between Scott Boulevard and Pruneridge Avenue. North side of Pruneridge Avenue between Saratoga Avenue and Lawrence Expressway. Set out material beginning Sat., March 20, and not later than 7 a.m. on Mon., March 22.

Area #4 (March 29): South side of Pruneridge Avenue and north side of Pruneridge Avenue west of Lawrence Expressway and east of Saratoga Avenue. Set out material beginning Sat., March 27, and not later than 7 a.m. on Mon., March 29.

What will and won’t be collected

Materials for the Clean-Up Campaign should be placed in the gutter in front of your house before 7 a.m. on the Monday of your designated collection week.

- NO food or bathroom waste, garbage, automobiles, automobile parts containing fluids, medical waste, liquids, explosives, ammunition, or hazardous wastes (including batteries or fluorescent bulbs or tubes) will be accepted.
- Contractor-generated materials (construction or demolition debris, landscaping debris, tree trimmings/removal) are subject to a charge of \$25 per cubic yard.
- Appliances, tires and e-waste (i.e., electronic waste; anything requiring a plug or battery to operate) cannot go into the landfill and should be set out separately from the rest of your CUC materials. Special crews will pick up these items. It is the owner’s responsibility to remove any door with latch mechanisms prior to setout to prevent accidents. Residents may recycle working refrigerators or freezers and receive a rebate of \$35 from Silicon Valley Power, the City of Santa Clara’s municipal Electric Utility, by calling Jaco Environmental toll-free at 1-877-577-0510. Residential customers may recycle a maximum of two units per household and must own the appliances. The refrigerator/freezers must be in working order and at least 14 cubic feet. For additional information about the Refrigerator/Freezer Recycling Program only, please call 244-SAVE (7283).
- Brush, branches, and wood should be cut to 6-foot lengths, stacked separately from other materials and placed parallel to the curb. Green waste can also be disposed of through the weekly Clean Green collection program at no extra charge.
- Hazardous materials may be disposed of through the County’s Household Hazardous Drop-Off Program on April 24. Call 299-7300 for an appointment.

Follow the rules

- Park vehicles in your garage or driveway during your assigned collection week so it is easier for Clean-Up crews to maneuver. If you must park on the street, please park at least five feet away from piles.
- Use the Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Program to dispose of hazardous waste (paint, batteries, oil, antifreeze, household chemicals, medical waste, pesticides, solvents, thinners, chlorine, fluorescent bulbs/tubes, etc). These materials pose a health and safety risk to Clean-Up crews and the environment when placed in piles. A Household Hazardous Waste drop-off event will be held in Santa Clara on Saturday, April 24. You can make an appointment to attend the Santa Clara drop-off event, or any of the other scheduled drop-off events held throughout the County, by calling 299-7300. Illegal set-out of hazardous materials is subject to a \$500 fine.
- Do not set out materials in the street before the Saturday prior to your assigned collection week. Early set-outs alert people who do not live in Santa Clara that the Clean-Up Campaign is starting. Illegal dumping and scavenging are more prevalent in areas with early set-outs. Early set-outs (prior to the Saturday preceding your collection week) are subject to a \$100 fine.
- If you witness illegal dumping, get the driver and vehicle description, and vehicle license number and call 615-3080 (Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) or 615-5580 (after 4 p.m. and weekends).
- A total of one cubic yard of concrete, asphalt, dirt, brick, rock, stone or sod generated

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Power use data will soon be collected by “smart” meters

A program to install “smart” electric meters in Santa Clara beginning later this year will enable Silicon Valley Power, the City’s Electric Utility, to read and bill for power usage without intruding on customers’ property or privacy.

Once fully implemented, power usage information will be sent wirelessly to Silicon Valley Power, making it unnecessary for utility personnel to enter private property every month. Smart meters will also immediately alert Silicon Valley Power about outages and they allow customers to monitor their energy usage hour-by-hour.

“More than 70 percent of customers in a recent study lowered their power usage and cost when they had hourly information,” said Larry Owens, Silicon Valley Power Manager of Customer Service. The digital smart meters are more accurate than the older mechanical meters with a spinning metal disk that are familiar to most City residents.

Cash in on home energy efficiency rebates



Taking advantage of rebates offered by Silicon Valley Power, the City’s municipal Electric Utility, can put money in the pockets of Santa Clara residents while conserving energy and protecting the environment.

Get ready for summer by buying and installing up to three Energy Star® ceiling fans (a rebate of \$35 each), a solar attic fan (a \$100 rebate) and/or a whole house fan (a \$200 rebate). It’s easy to qualify and apply.

Do you have an old refrigerator? An outdated room air conditioner? If you upgrade a working unit to an Energy Star replacement, you may qualify for replace-and-recycle rebates – up to a combined \$50 for an air conditioner, and up to \$85 total for the fridge.

More great rebates are available for replacing old pool pumps or bringing attic insulation up to an R-30 rating, or better. And if you are considering going solar for your home energy needs, Silicon Valley Power has great incentives in addition to the tax credits available to you from the federal government.

For information on how you can cash in on Silicon Valley Power’s residential rebates, go to www.siliconvalleypower.com/rebates, or call 244-SAVE (7283).

Correction to City Calendar Clean-Up Campaign map

The Clean-Up Campaign map in the 2009 Annual Report/2010 City Calendar contained an error for the area north of Pruneridge Avenue and west of Lawrence Expressway. This area should be included in the fourth week of the Clean-Up Campaign. Residents who live in this area may begin setting out their materials no earlier than Sat., March 27 and no later than 7 a.m. on Mon., March 29. If you have questions regarding your Clean-Up Campaign week, please call 615-3080.


Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Day

Safe and easy disposal of household hazardous waste is available for Santa Clara residents at a drop-off event on Sat., April 24, at the City of Santa Clara Street Corporation Yard, 1700 Walsh Ave. Residents must register to attend this event (or any of the drop-off events scheduled throughout the year) by calling the County Household Hazardous Waste Program at 299-7300.

Residents can dispose of fluorescent light bulbs and tubes, paint, automotive fluids, cleaners, solvents, batteries, propane, fertilizers, pesticides, wood preservatives, Sharps containers, prescription medications, and other types of household hazardous wastes at any of the drop-off events.

In addition, the Countywide Household Hazardous Waste Program is now accepting electronic waste at select drop-off events throughout the county. Electronic waste (or e-waste) is generally considered items that require a battery or cord to operate, such as televisions, computers, telephones, handheld video games, printers, fax machines, etc.

Items NOT accepted include appliances and white goods (refrigerators, dishwashers, ovens, stoves, washing machines, dryers, microwaves, etc.), ammunition, explosives, reactives, or containers larger than five gallons. Contact the Police Department at 615-4700 regarding disposal of ammunition or explosives.



Get elnformed with eNotify

Want to hear about the latest news, events, and job openings in the City of Santa Clara? eNotify makes it easy for you! Visit santaclaraca.gov and click on the “Sign-up for eNotify” button. Enter your email address, select the areas that interest you, then sit back and wait for email when new information is posted. It's that simple!

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from a single residence will be collected at no charge. Additional amounts are subject to a charge of \$25 per cubic yard.

- Materials set out late will be collected for a fee of \$25 per cubic yard. Late set-outs are materials placed in the street after 7 a.m. on the Monday of your collection week.
- Do not place piles in front of curbs painted red for “No Parking,” as large piles can obstruct the view of motorists pulling out of driveways. Do not place piles in alleys or private streets. Do not place piles against fences, retaining walls, hydrants, or landscaping.
- Materials must be placed in the street, by the curb, in front of the house where the materials are generated (if a private street, materials must be placed on nearest public street). Placing materials in front of a neighbor’s house will be construed as illegal dumping.
- Do NOT trim or remove City street trees. This is a violation of City Code 12.35.020 and subject to a \$1,000 fine. Call 615-3080 for more information.
- Violation notices will be left at homes where materials have been improperly set out. If you have questions about what can be set out or need assistance in determining which collection area you live in, please contact the Street Department at 615-3080.



Reminder: Many items that are placed out each year can be reused or recycled. Please use the following list to call non-profit organizations to collect usable items. Telephone numbers are area code 408 unless noted otherwise:

• Hope Rehabilitation Services	748-2875
• United Cancer Research Society	(800) 443-4224
• RAFT – Resource Area For Teachers	451-1420
• St. Vincent de Paul	993-9500
• Salvation Army	958-7825
• Cityteam Family Services	293-4657
• American Cancer Society	265-5535
• San Jose Family Shelter	926-8885
• Santa Clara Children’s Shelter	558-5400

For additional organizations that accept items for reuse, please contact the County Recycling Hotline at (800) 533-8414. For additional information on the Annual Clean-Up Campaign, please contact the Street Department at 615-3080.



Register now for Spring Classes



Adult Ceramics Classes

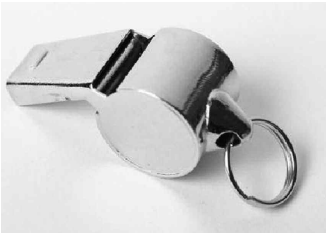
Learn basic and continuing techniques on the potter’s wheel. In the Beginning/Advanced Beginning Ceramics class, instruction is geared toward students who have never had experience or wish a refresher in the basics. The Intermediate/Advanced Ceramics class will stress more advanced forms on the potter’s wheel. Demonstrations are given and individual help is stressed.

Participants must be 18 years or older. Class cost is \$155 for City of Santa Clara residents/\$185 for non-residents.

#37364	Ceramics, All Levels 12 noon-3 p.m. Thursdays, April 1-May 13
#37367	Ceramics, Beg./Adv. Beg. 6-8:15 p.m. Tuesdays, March 30-May 11
#37369	Ceramics, Int./Adv. 6-8:15 p.m. Wednesdays, March 31-May 12

Red Cross Lifeguard Training

This course is designed to provide the basic skills necessary to serve as a pool lifeguard. This course includes CPR for the professional rescuer, AED, first aid, and lifeguard training. Certification will be given to those students passing all written tests and performing the required skills. Students must attend all 6 class meetings. Students passing the course are encouraged to apply for lifeguard employment with the City of Santa Clara.



Participants must be 16 years or older. Class cost is \$256 for City of Santa Clara Residents/\$286 for non-residents.

#37352	Red Cross Lifeguard Training March 1-March 13 Class Meets Mondays and Wednesdays, 5-9 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
#37353	Red Cross Lifeguard Training March 30-April 10 Class Meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5-9 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Registration is being accepted in person and online (online.activecommunities.com/santaclara/). For information regarding recreation classes, please call the Community Recreation Center at 615-3140.

Honoring the “best of the best” Santa Clara residents

The City of Santa Clara has an extraordinary number of extraordinary residents involved in the community, and City recognition programs acknowledge the “best of the best.”

The “Those Who Inspire” Recognition Award singles out community members who have distinguished themselves in public service and who live out the ideals of the City’s Code of Ethics & Values. Selected individuals, through their own inspiring actions, initiative and dedication, have performed exceptional service or exemplary long-term service to benefit the community, serving as an inspiration to others. Past recipients are David Ladd Anderson, an outstanding music educator at Buchser Middle School, and Emma Kaliterna, who volunteers in many capacities and has raised more than \$100,000 for local charities. Residents are invited to nominate people they know for this award. Please contact the City Manager’s Office at 615-2210 to request a nomination form.

Nominations for a second awards category, the Neil Henry Recognition Award, come primarily from City departments, and honor community volunteers who perform “exceptional or exemplary long-term service” through their own initiative and dedication. Past honorees are JoAnn Silva, who has volunteered at the Santa Clara Senior Center for more than 20 years, and Cleo Stuckrath, the creator of the annual Showtime melodrama event that raises money for senior health programs.

The City of Santa Clara is a better place because of the efforts of people like David Ladd Anderson, Emma Kaliterna, JoAnn Silva and Cleo Stuckrath. Help the City to find and recognize other “best of the best” community volunteers by submitting your nomination today.

Convention Center Honored Again

For the seventh consecutive year, the Environmental Protection Agency’s (EPA) California Integrated Waste Management Board has awarded the Santa Clara Convention Center the WRAP award for its efforts to reduce, re-use, recycle and buy recycled. The Convention Center’s waste reduction efforts and recycling program reduced waste by 101 tons this past year. WRAP awards honor businesses for cutting the amount of trash they produce, conserving resources and reducing waste disposal in landfills. Since 2002, the City’s Convention Center’s waste reduction program has recycled paper products, cardboard, glass and aluminum. ARAMARK, the Convention Center’s in-house caterer, adds to the effort by contributing leftover food to the Second Harvest Food Bank. For more information, visit www.santaclara.org/conventioncenter/greenmeetings.cfm.

Join us for the Triton Museum of Art’s Spring Art Fair!

Saturday, March 13th
and
Sunday, March 14th
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Ceramics, Glass, Miniatures
and more for sale!!

Most items under \$100.00

Find unique gifts for Easter,
Mother’s Day,
birthdays and weddings.

For more information: 247.3754
www.tritonmuseum.org



1505 Warburton Avenue
Santa Clara, CA 95050

Santa Clara’s Annual Easter Egg Hunt

On your mark...get set...go...to the annual Easter Egg Hunt in Central Park on April 3.
See page 5 for details.



Employment Opportunities

COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHER I:

Communications Dispatcher I monthly salary range is \$5,891 - \$7,142. Requires graduation from high school or possession of a GED and one year of paid employment experience requiring independent decision-making and a high level of public contact, preferably a public safety related position. Possession of a current P.O.S.T. Basic Dispatch certificate is desirable and may be substituted for six (6) months of the employment experience. Possession of a P.O.S.T. Basic Dispatch certificate and a Medical Priorities Dispatching System (MPDS) certificate is required prior to completion of the probationary period. A typing certificate, dated no earlier than 6 months prior to application filing, showing the required typing speed of 30 net words per minute, is required at time of application. Candidates who have taken the POST dispatcher examination within the last six months may submit verification of a t-score of 48 or better in lieu of taking the performance examination. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis.

Please submit City application and typing certificate to the Human Resources Dept., 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, or FAX 247-5627.

COMMUNICATIONS DISPATCHER II:

Communications Dispatcher II monthly salary range is: \$6,328 – \$7,686. Requires graduation from high school or possession of a GED; and the equivalent of one of the following: (a) two years of paid employment experience in public safety dispatching within the past five years; or (b) five years of current paid employment with a public safety agency or private emergency medical services agency, with high level Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD), radio and/or telephone operation; or (c) successful completion of a probationary period as a Communications Dispatcher I with the City of Santa Clara. Possession of a current P.O.S.T. Basic Dispatch certificate is desirable and may be substituted for six months of the employment experience. Classroom education involving fire science or law enforcement related studies is highly desirable. A typing certificate, dated no earlier than 6 months prior to application filing, showing the required typing speed of 30 net words per minute, is required at time of application. Candidates who have taken the POST dispatcher examination within the last six months may submit verification of a t-score of 48 or better in lieu of taking the performance examination. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis.

Please submit City application and typing certificate to the Human Resources Dept., 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, or FAX 247-5627.

ELECTRIC UTILITY GENERATION TECHNICIAN:

Electric Utility Generation Technician monthly salary range is \$7,658 - \$9,322. Requires graduation from high school or its equivalent and four (4) years of electric generation operation and maintenance experience in a medium-sized electric generation power plant or equivalent, including two (2) years of experience above the entry level. Three years of operations and maintenance level experience above the entry level with work assignments in City of Santa Clara combined cycle generation facilities may substitute for the above experience requirements. Two (2) additional years of electric generation operation and maintenance experience with an electric generation power plant or the equivalent is highly desirable. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis; examinations are scheduled as a sufficient number of applications are received.

Please submit City application to the Human Resources Dept., 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, or FAX 247-5627.

ELECTRICIAN:

Electrician monthly salary range is \$7,117 - \$8,641. Requires graduation from high school or its equivalent and status as a journey-level electrician and/or completion of a formal electrician apprenticeship program. Certification of required journey level electrician status and/or completion of a formal electrician apprenticeship program must be provided. Journey level experience working for an electric utility maintaining high voltage substation equipment or journey level experience maintaining solid state traffic signal equipment, or solid state supervisory control systems is desirable. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis.

Please submit City application and electrician certification to the Human Resources Dept., 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, or FAX 247-5627.

JOURNEY LINeworker:

Journey Lineworker monthly salary range is \$7,117 - \$8,641. Requires graduation from high school or possession of a G.E.D.; and completion of a recognized three (3) year apprenticeship program as a Lineworker. Certification of apprenticeship program must be provided at time of application. Possession of a valid California Class A Driver's license is required, or possession of a valid Class C license at the time of appointment and the ability to obtain Class A within six months of employment. Incumbents in this position are required to become rubber glove certified as a condition of holding the classification of Journey Lineworker within nine (9) months of appointment. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis.

Please apply by formal application to the Human Resources Dept., 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, or FAX 247-5627.

POLICE OFFICER & RECRUIT POLICE OFFICER:

Police Officer monthly salary range is \$8,467 - \$10,288. Recruit Police Officer monthly salary starts at \$6,468. Both positions require one of the following: Without

experience, applicants must have completed sixty (60) semester units or ninety (90) quarter units of academic level course work at an accredited college or university; or applicants with two (2) years full-time, paid, recent police experience with a sheriff's department, state police, highway patrol, or municipal police department must have completed thirty (30) semester units or forty-five (45) quarter units of academic level courses at an accredited college or university. Applicants for Police Officer also require proof of

completion of a Basic Peace Officer Academy certified by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis. Candidates must attach a copy of their POST t-score of 50 or better to their City application for Police Officer or Police Officer.

Please submit City application to the Human Resources Dept., 1500 Warburton Ave., Santa Clara, CA 95050, or FAX 247-5627.



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SANTA CLARA ARTS & HISTORICAL CONSORTIUM

Santa Clara Museums



Triton Museum of Art

The Triton Museum of Art exists to enhance the quality of lives of people in Santa Clara and the Bay Area through a program of art, education, and community involvement. Rotating exhibits highlight the museum’s permanent collection of 19th and 20th century American art. *Native Americans Yesterday and Today: Selections from the Austen D. Warburton Collection*, is a permanent exhibition. The museum buildings are owned by the City, but are operated by the nonprofit Triton Museum of Art. The museum is located at 1505 Warburton Ave., across the street from City Hall. The museum is open Tuesdays through Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., and until 9 p.m. on Thursdays. Closed Mondays. Admission and parking are free. For further information, call 247-3754, or visit the Triton website at tritonmuseum.org. See pages 4 and 13 for event information.



de Saisset Museum

Founded in 1955 through the bequest of Isabel de Saisset, the museum features rotating exhibits as well as permanent displays of art. The museum’s collection includes American, European, African and Oriental art. The *California Historic Collection* features artifacts of the pre-mission California Indians, relics and sacramental objects from the original mission, and memorabilia from the days of the early college. The de Saisset also has an ongoing program of films, concerts and lectures. The museum is located on the Santa Clara University campus, adjacent to historic Mission Santa Clara. Admission and parking are free. Galleries are open Tuesday through Sunday, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 554-4528, or visit the de Saisset website at scu.edu/deSaisset. See page 4 for event information.



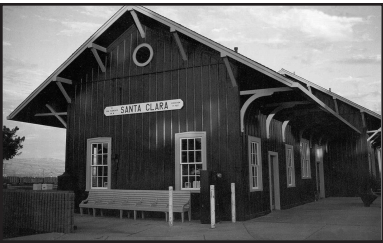
Headen-Inman House

The charming Headen-Inman House, 1509 Warburton Ave., includes a museum with photographs and artifacts related to the history of Santa Clara. Rotating exhibits by the Santa Clara Art Association are also on display. The Santa Clara Founders and Pioneers Room has exhibits featuring the founding families and early pioneers of Santa Clara County. The house, named after the two families who once owned it, is now owned by the City, but is operated by and is the headquarters of the nonprofit Santa Clara Arts & Historical Consortium. The museum is open most Sundays, from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission and parking are free. For further information, call 248-ARTS. See page 6 for event information.



Berryessa Adobe

In the 1840s, this simple adobe dwelling was constructed about a mile west of Mission Santa Clara. The house was lived in by generations of families who immigrated to Santa Clara to labor in



the fields and factories, and to make new lives for themselves. Purchased by the City of Santa Clara in 1997 and restored in 2002, the Berryessa Adobe is one of the last adobes in the Santa Clara Valley, and is an interpretive site on the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail. It is located at 373 Jefferson Street and generally open Thursdays and Saturdays, 12 noon to 4 p.m., or by arrangement. Group tours may also be arranged. For more information, call 615-2488 or email: BerryessaAdobe@santaclaraca.gov.

South Bay Historical Railroad Society

The South Bay Historical Railroad Society was founded in 1985 with the goal of preserving the heritage of American railroading. SBHRS accomplished the major task of renovating the historic Santa Clara Depot, and maintains the facility and researches its history. The group also built and maintains onsite HO and N scale museum-grade model train layouts. The Santa Clara Depot, at the Santa Clara Caltrain Station, is regularly open to the public every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Tuesdays from 6 to 9 p.m., at 1005 Railroad Ave. Call 243-3969 for further information, or visit the website at sbhrs.org. See page 5 for event information.

Harris-Lass Historic Museum

The Harris-Lass Historic Museum, located at 1889 Market St., is the last preserved farm site in the City of Santa Clara. The property, which includes a large fully furnished Italianate-style home, barn, summer kitchen and a tank house, is named for the two families who owned it and lived there for 125 years. The museum is now owned by the City, but is operated by the nonprofit Historic Preservation Society of Santa Clara, and staffed entirely by volunteers. Guided tours aid visitors in learning about local history and life in the early 1900s. Museum hours are most Saturdays and Sundays, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and seniors. Parking is free. For details about visiting the museum, call 249-7905 or see harrislass.org. See page 6 for event information.

Santa Clara Woman’s Club Adobe

The Santa Clara Woman’s Club Adobe, located at 3260 The Alameda, is a State-registered landmark and one of the oldest surviving adobe structures in northern California. With its origins dating to 1784, the Pena adobe was originally part of a row of houses for married Indian couples. The Santa Clara Woman’s Club now uses the adobe as its club headquarters and meeting place. The Woman’s Club provides encouragement and support for youth in Santa Clara, and cooperates with other organizations to aid seniors, veterans and the handicapped. Call 246-8000 for more information.



Pictured top to bottom, above:

- Triton Museum of Art
- de Saisset Museum
- Headen-Inman House
- Berryessa Adobe
- South Bay Historical Railroad Society Museum
- Harris-Lass Historic Museum
- Santa Clara Woman's Club Adobe

Other Consortium Member Groups

Foothills Region Antique Automobile Club of America

Interested in the preservation of cars that are 25 years old or older, the members of this club tour with their cars and take part in parades and many other family oriented activities. For more information, call Club Vice President Grant Danielson, 248-0939.

Los Fundadores y Amigos de Alta California, the Founders and Friends of Santa Clara County

The goals of Los Fundadores are to preserve the history and heritage of Santa Clara County and early California, to maintain a museum room in the Headen-Inman House, to provide rotating genealogical displays, and to develop research materials for the library room at the museum. The group was established in 1987 by Evalyn Martinez. It publishes a quarterly newsletter aimed at preserving the history and heritage of the founding families and early pioneers of Santa Clara County from its founding through 1889. For more information, call Evalyn Martinez at 926-1165.

Santa Clara Players

The Santa Clara Players is a talented local theater group that performs in the 80-seat Hall Pavilion of the Triton Museum of Art. Its season runs from October through June and includes three public productions plus one-act plays that can be performed for groups by special arrangement. Call 248-7993 for more information or visit scplayers.org.

Santa Clara Sister Cities Association

Individuals interested in promoting an appreciation for the world and its diverse cultures are invited to join the Santa Clara Sister Cities Association (SCA). Membership is open to both residents of Santa Clara and non-residents. SCA works closely with the City’s International Exchange Commission which coordinates exchange programs with Santa Clara’s two sister-cities: Coimbra, Portugal and Izumo, Japan. The group meets four or five times during the year at the Senior Citizens Center in Santa Clara. For more information on the Santa Clara Sister Cities Association, or opportunities to host visitors, contact SCA President Debi Davis at 244-7551 or see the website at santaclarasistercities.org.

Santa Clara Valley Porcelain Artists

Santa Clara Valley Porcelain Artists is dedicated to studying, teaching and promoting the art of china, glass and porcelain painting. Activities include monthly meetings/luncheons, workshops/seminars, demonstrations, porcelain exchange, and community involvement. For more information, call Arline Norsworthy at 296-8319.

Consortium Member Groups include:

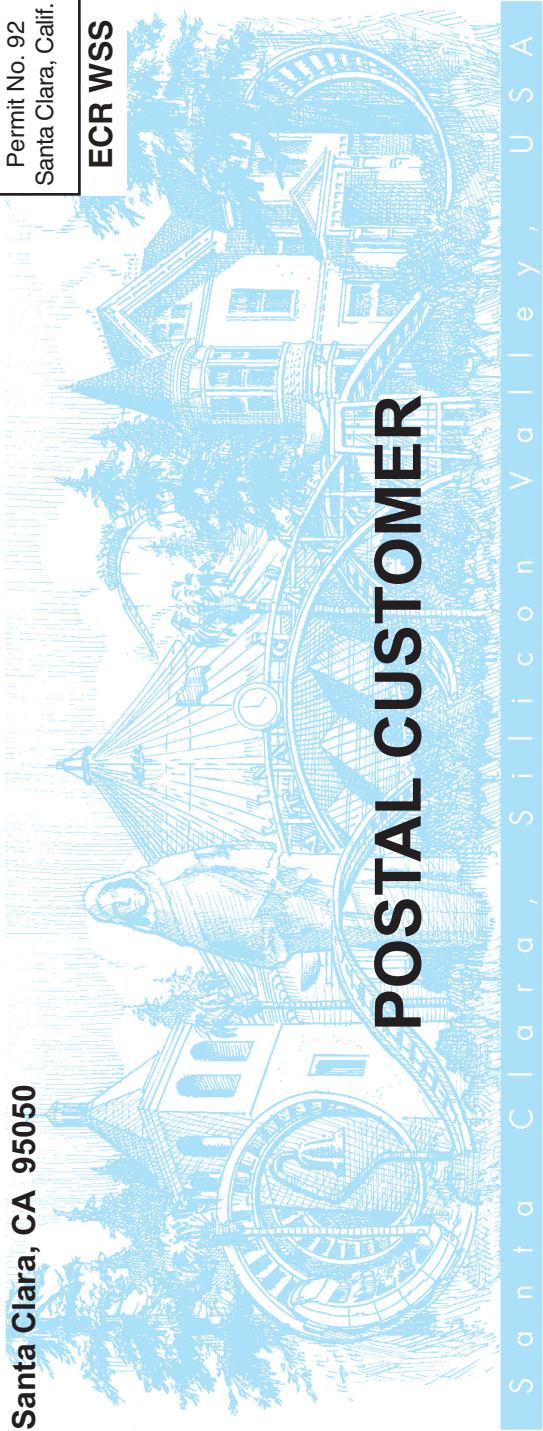
- City of Santa Clara - Berryessa Adobe*
- de Saisset Museum*
- Foothills Region Antique Automobile Club of America
- Garden City Doll Club
- Goldentones*
- Harvest Moon Quilters
- Historic Preservation Society of Santa Clara*
- KKUP Radio
- Los Fundadores, Founders and Friends of Santa Clara Co.
- Mission City Opera
- Mission Trail Early Ford V-8 Club
- Orchard Valley Fine Arts Foundation
- Santa Clara Art Association*
- Santa Clara City Library*
- Santa Clara County Historical & Genealogical Society*
- Santa Clara Players
- Santa Clara Sister Cities Association*
- Santa Clara Schools Foundation*
- Santa Clara Valley Porcelain Artists
- Santa Clara Woman’s Club*
- Soroptimist International of Santa Clara*
- South Bay Historical Railroad Society*
- Spanish Heritage Society
- Triton Museum of Art*

For more information on the Consortium or information on any of the groups listed above, call 248-ARTS.

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Stadium Update – June 8 Vote

On June 8, 2010, Santa Clara residents will have the opportunity to vote on the proposed stadium project. At the City Council meeting held on February 9, 2010, Council approved the resolutions calling for a special municipal election on June 8, 2010. The results of this binding vote will determine whether the stadium project moves forward.

On December 8, 2009, the City Council certified the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed stadium project, as required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The purpose of CEQA is to review the potential environmental impacts of projects. An EIR is an informational document that informs public agency decision makers and the public of any significant environmental effects of a project, identifies possible ways to minimize the significant effects of the project, and describes reasonable alternatives to the project.

Also in December, a citizens group, Santa Clarans for Economic Progress, filed a Notice of Intent to Circulate an Initiative Petition titled “The Santa Clara Stadium Taxpayer Protection and Economic Progress Act.” The citizens petition process was completed in early January, and the County Registrar of Voters has indicated that the citizen petition qualifies for the ballot. While Council originally intended to put a City ballot measure forward on the stadium proposal, they are deferring to the citizen-sponsored initiative, in order to avoid the confusion of having two measures on this topic on the ballot.

On February 9, 2010, Council approved the following language that will appear on the ballot: “Shall the City of Santa Clara adopt Ordinance 17.20 leasing City property for a professional football stadium and other events; no use of City General or Enterprise funds for construction; no new taxes for residents for stadium; Redevelopment Agency funds capped for construction; private party pays all construction cost overruns; no City/Agency obligation for stadium operating/maintenance; private party payment of projected fair market rent; and additional funds for senior/youth/library/recreation to City’s General Fund?”

If the initiative is successful on June 8, 2010, and voters approve moving forward with the stadium project, the City would proceed with the creation of a Joint Powers Authority (“Stadium Authority”), and negotiate a Disposition and Development Agreement and other agreements. Construction of the stadium could commence in 2012, with the stadium complete and operational for the 2014 football season.

The most frequently asked questions that the City has received on the stadium proposal, and the answers to those questions, have been placed on the City’s website at

<http://santaclaraca.gov/index.aspx?page=1197> for public information. All Agenda Reports on this topic can also be found linked from this location.